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1. [REDACTED] LEGISLATION Called [REDACTED] IC staff, to bring her up to date on the "Federal Accounting and Auditing Act of 1978," H.R. 12171. I informed [REDACTED] that I would send her a copy of Admiral Turner's letter to Chairman Edward Boland (D., Mass.), House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, asking that the Committee take "sequential referral" of the bill. I told her that we would keep her informed.

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2. [REDACTED] LEGISLATION Called [REDACTED] Office of General Counsel at NSA, to inform him of the latest developments surrounding H.R. 12171, the "Federal Accounting and Auditing Act of 1978."

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3. [REDACTED] LEGISLATION I spoke with Park Stears, FBI, Legislative Affairs, on FBI efforts toward amending of S. 3314, Federal Tort Claims Act. Mr. Stears promised to send via courier their proposed amendments (most of all of which help CIA as well).

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4. [REDACTED] LIAISON James Tomashoff, in the office of Representative John J. McFall (D., Calif.), called on behalf of a college class studying terrorism and asked on their behalf if we had an unclassified bibliography on the topic. CSS/NFAC has access to a bibliography and will provide to us for forwarding to Mr. Tomashoff.

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5. [REDACTED] LIAISON Called Howard Liebengood, in the office of the Minority Leader of the Senate, on the status of the compartmented clearances for James Cannon, Administrative Assistant, and William Hildenbrand, Secretary for the Senate Minority. Liebengood said that Senate Minority Leader Howard Baker (R., Tenn.) would send the necessary letter on updating the background investigation to DOD.

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6. [REDACTED] LIAISON I was finally able to get in touch with Pete Bonner, Senate Appropriations Committee staff, on the treatment of the excludable aliens matter in the State/Justice appropriations bill. Bonner gave me the background of the report language and commented that the matter went far beyond the intelligence issues which were of interest to us, mentioning illegal immigrants in the Southwest border and narcotic [REDACTED] 25X1

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7. [REDACTED] LEGISLATION Michael Wenk, Department of Justice, called to determine the reaction of Guy McConnell and Pete Bonner, both on the Senate Appropriations Committee staff, on deferring to the language in Title IV of the intelligence authorization bill in connection with the excludable aliens problem. He then explained the precise nature of the problem and read the report language which had just been approved which would cause Immigration and Naturalization Service to deny entry and enforce expulsion of hostile intelligence personnel. Because of the particular situation anything we would do would have to await conference which would commence sometime after 7 August. Wenk requested that I accompany him on the Hill to assure that Committee staff appreciate the problems this might create. I told him we would want to be sure that we had properly sorted out the problem and we would be back in touch.

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8. [REDACTED] LIAISON Called Tom Latimer, Staff Director, House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence, in response to his request for a position on storage of NID's overnight in the Committee rooms. I told him that while I had not discussed this matter with top management, there were valid reasons for insisting on tight security for this document. I said such tight security was necessary to reassure collectors that sensitive items could be included and this reassurance was necessary if the document is to continue as the high quality product that it is. I told him that we had turned down a similar request from the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence staff. Latimer believes our case would appear reasonable to the vast majority of the Members of the Committee.

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9. [REDACTED] LIAISON/PA I called Ms. Ryan Conroy, in the office of Senator Alan Cranston (D., Calif.), concerning an attachment to the Senator's note to CIA on behalf of a constituent's Privacy Act request which did not appear related to the request. Ms. Conroy asked that I return that document to her attention and we need not formally reply to the Senator's letter.

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10. [REDACTED] LIAISON Major Patrick Sweeney, in the office of Lt. Col. Grant Miller, Department of Defense, called and requested a copy of the letter on loss of intelligence bases in [REDACTED] from the Director to Senator John H. Chafee (R., R.I.). The request was referred to [REDACTED] to handle.

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7. [redacted] LIAISON Called Col. Grant Miller, OSD/Legislative Affairs, to check out the existence of a certain Comptroller General opinion. He said he would check with General Edgar Chavarrie, Deputy Assistant to the Secretary of Defense for Legislative Affairs, and let me know.

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8. [redacted] LEGISLATION Spoke to Larry Simms, Department of Justice, who felt that our call to Guy McConnell, Senate Appropriations Committee staff, and Pete Bonner, also on the Committee staff, on the excludable aliens language in the State/Justice appropriations bill would be right on mark if we recommended adherence to the language of Title IV which had been agreed to by the conference on the intelligence authorization bill. I was not able to make contact with Bonner but did contact McConnell and made the above point.

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9. [redacted] LEGISLATION Called Norvill Jones, Chief of Staff, Senate Foreign Relations Committee, to explain that we did have problems with the role of the ambassador amendment in the State authorization bill despite the deceptively benign appearance of the language and that we would be most appreciative if he would have an opportunity to make our case through Chairman John J. Sparkman (D., Ala.). Jones appreciated our bringing this matter to his attention, but said he would not have an opportunity to focus on the issue until next week, which would be in time for the conference.

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10. [redacted] BRIEFING Ed Palmer, Staff Director, House International Relations Subcommittee on Asian and Pacific Affairs, called to get access for himself and other staffers of the Subcommittee to sit in on the scheduled 3 August briefing of the Subcommittee on International Organizations on the subject of North Korea. Palmer said that Bob Boettcher, Staff Director, Subcommittee on International Organizations, told him that the briefing required special clearances and staffers from other Subcommittees could not attend. I called Jack Brady, Chief of Staff of the full Committee, to be assured that he and Chairman Clement J. Zablocki (D., Wis.) were aware of this scheduled briefing (which they were) and then made arrangements for [redacted] to clear the way for attendance by the Subcommittee staffers as this briefing is going to be solely at the Secret level.

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